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ILLEGAL CONSTRUCTION IN DELHI
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of complaints received in regard to illegal constructions in Delhi during the last three years;

(b) whether the mechanism evolved for taking information about illegal constructions is not functioning properly;

(c) if so, the problems being faced in this regard;

(d) whether the Government has conducted any inquiry in this regard;

(e) if so, the outcome thereof;

(f) whether Government proposes to frame laws to control illegal constructions in Delhi; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT(SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a): During the last three years, over 34,700 complaints have been received by the local bodies regarding illegal construction.

(b)&(c): Various legal, administrative and institutional mechanisms have been evolved over a period of time and strengthening of these mechanisms is a continuing exercise. The Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) have strengthened infrastructure for detection and control of illegal/unauthorized constructions in Delhi, and have taken measures including strengthening of the Central Control Rooms, the Zonal Control Rooms, the Demolition Squad etc. Various measures under the provisions of the relevant Acts, like stoppage of construction, sealing of premises and demolition of illegal construction etc. are undertaken by the local bodies from time to time.

(d)&(e): Aspects relating to unauthorized construction and misuse of premises in Delhi were, inter-alia, examined by Committees of Experts. Many of the recommendations of Committee have been incorporated in the Master Plan for Delhi (MPD) 2021.

(f)&(g): Various relevant acts like NDMC Act, DMC Act, DD Act contain provisions to control illegal construction in Delhi. Govt. of NCT of Delhi has sought approval of the Central Government for amending the Delhi Municipal Corporation Act, 1957. The amendment sought relates to Chapter XVI of the DMC Act.